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PRESIDING ELDERS AND BISHOPS

The establishment of the Melchizedek Quorum in their plan at the head of the spiritual affairs within the church requires some far-reaching changes in mental attitude on the part of church members. One thing which disturbs me a great deal is the prevalence of undue respect for the bishop's office due to a general failure to appreciate the situation. That word, "Bishop," literally screams Aaronic Priesthood. A something which has not a universal presiding prerogative! The spiritual is completely without its pale as far as presiding prerogative is concerned! Indeed, the presiding officer of our wards does not preside by virtue of his bishopric alone. It is much to be lamented that the presiding officer within the ward is not recognized to hold two distinct offices, in spite of the fact, he does that very thing. Strange as it may seem, he does not preside over a multitude of things by virtue of his bishopric at all! That gives him charge over only matters which pertains to the Aaronic Priesthood offices. It is his presidency of the Priests Quorum. It gives him no right to minister in the spiritual affairs of the church. He does not preside over a sacrament meeting or any other meeting of a spiritual kind by virtue of that office! A Levite (whose hereditary right that office is on the condition of worthiness, etc.) can hold that office without having the Melchizedek Priesthood bestowed upon him. Such a person's limitations in that office give the rights of the office. Clearly he has no right to officiate in ordinances other than baptism, the sacrament and in ordination to the offices of the Aaronic Priesthood. His prerogative is not to preside in preference to a High Priest or even an Elder or a Seventy in spiritual things. He may only try cases which invoke no spiritual issue. His prerogative in such matters reach little beyond cases of a type met with in the secular courts of the land. One is indeed surprised in the light of all this that the modern presiding officer of a ward is called a bishop at all!

The bishop of the Doctrine and Covenants is quite a different person from our presiding ward officer today. This is because the modern presiding officer of a ward holds two offices within it. The one (often exercised but seldom if ever mentioned by name) is his Presiding Eldership. By virtue of this office he has charge of the spiritual affairs of the ward and is therefore recognized to have right with respect to Melchizedek Priesthood groups. In some of the early church organizations the office of Presiding Elder and Bishop are said to have been held by separate individuals. When the offices were merged, it is amazing that the temporal office predominated the spiritual office to such an extent that the term bishop labeled the merger instead of Presiding Elder. It probably grew out of the importance which the bishop's office had to be given in the attempts to set up the United Order. As Melchizedek Quorums we owe it to our duty as ministers in the spiritual realm to remind the people that their presiding officer in the ward is first a Presiding Elder and after that bishop. The things of the spirit must be placed first. It is our obligation to resurrect the long deserted term Presiding Elder and bring it back into general use within the bounds of this stake, at least. Let us apply to every Presiding ward officer his full title and let us stubbornly refuse to abbreviate it in any case whatever. Let us write it and let us address in speech, every person to whom the title belongs by the full title of the office which is rightfully his, "Presiding Elder and Bishop."—CYRUS L. CLARK, Pres., 1st Quorum of Elders.

LOTS OF US HERE

Showing a total enrollment of 22,500, the L. D. S. membership in California rises to new heights. President Alonzo A. Hinckley reported 12,500 for the California Mission; President Leo J. Muir 8,500 for Los Angeles Stake; President W. Aird Macdonald 4,551 for San Francisco Stake, and Clerk Katherine Higginbotham 7,927 for Hollywood Stake.

PRAISE FOR CARAVAN

(The following is from the Hollywood Stake paper.)

With only half the membership of either of the Southern California Stakes, San Francisco Stake made a record pilgrimage to the Arizona Temple. One hundred and twenty-four persons made the trip. President Lasueur of the Temple gave high praise to the pilgrimage committee, saying this was the largest and had come from the farthest of any which had visited the Mesa Temple.

CHURCH BUS CRASH

WICKENBURG, Ariz.—Six persons were killed and twenty-seven injured when a warning light at a highway detour failed to function in the rain, sending a California bound Mormon Church passenger bus crashing over an embankment near Aguilla, thirty-five miles west of here.

The bus was en route to Home Gardens, Cal., after a four day pilgrimage to the Morman Temple at Mesa, Ariz.

The dead, as identified by Bishop George F. Price of the Mormon Church who came here from Phoenix to take charge:

Elizabeth McArthur, 50 years old, Southgate, Cal.

Genevieve Scadlock, 35, Southgate.

Mrs. Eugen Gowers, 34, Lynwood, Cal.

Sarah Crawford, 45, Southgate.

Mrs. Frank Riggs, 30, Huntington Park, Cal.

Rea Haws, 2, daughter of Pearl and David Haws, Southgate.

The California bound bus party had spent four days in Mesa and was in charge of Bishop Morris R. Perry of Home Gardens.

Bishop Perry said nearly all of the occupants of the vehicle were asleep when the crash came.

SAN JOSE COURT CHAMPS

Well, the San Francisco Stake basketball representative, Dimond Ward, didn't win at Los Angeles, but our neighbor, San Jose, did. So Northern California still has the L. D. S. championship of the State.

Dimond, after showing class by beating Oakland twice as well as other competitors, went to Los Angeles high in hopes, but a bit short on baskets. San Jose defeated Dimond twice and then our squad fell before Los Angeles, but only by 5 points.

"But who did defeat San Jose?" asks Dimond, as the boys from the Santa Clara Valley headed for Salt Lake and the Church championships after beating Glendale in the final round at Los Angeles.

PIONEER TIMES

SALT LAKE CITY.—Children of the present generation, have more advantages than those of pioneer days, Mrs. Marie Dougall, eldest daughter of Brigham Young, said, but "they couldn't have better times than we did back in the fifties and sixties.

"My first recollection is of the old row of log cabins on the site now occupied by one of the city's most modern apartments. In one of those cabins I was born. The valley was covered with sagebrush."

Contrary to general impression, pioneer children had ample time for recreation, she said.

"We used to jump the rope, run races and play any number of games. In the evenings we would sometimes have candy pulls, which were the height of our enjoyment. Of course, we had our work to do, but it wasn't hard," the aged woman explained. "We helped our mothers with the housework, picked weeds used to dye our winter clothing, and such small chores.

"My strongest recollection of my father is of how kind he was to his children. He loved each one of us very much. When we lived in the log row he would care for the children while the mother was busy at other work."

RADIO MALE CHORUS

Organization of a male chorus to feature the Sunday radio programs was effected Feb. 26 by I. B. Ball and the Stake Music Committee. Robert Sant will be director, Karleton Driggs, accompanist, Clyde Summerhays, president, and James Kay, secretary. This organization, an outgrowth of the Melchizedek chorus that sang during the last Stake conference, will be called to this special radio missionary service by the Stake Presidency. They will pioneer the air trails as a Mormon male chorus, singing Latter-Day Saint hymns over the regular Stake broadcast. The organization was effected following a special request from the director of KTAB, that such a singing group could become a KTAB feature. An enthusiastic response has met the request. The date of their first appearance has not yet been set.

BIG KIDS' DANCE

Here's something—a Kids' Party, scheduled for the Oakland Ward amusement hall for March 9. The California Coeds will furnish the music. Everyone must dress as children, apron, overalls or costume. Otherwise a fine will result. Refreshments.

EUROPE AS SEEN BY MISSIONARY

SALT LAKE CITY.—Suspicion and unrest among countries of Europe is accelerating war rumors throughout the continent, John Fred Daynes, missionary, said upon his return here after a three-year stay abroad.

Tourists passing from one country to another are regarded in close suspicion, Daynes told an assembly. Passports are closely examined and personal effects carefully searched.

"As I passed from one little town in Germany to Czecho-Slovakia, I was reading a German newspaper," Daynes said. "The officials immediately took it from me. A little girl riding in the same compartment of my train had two roses in her hand, and they too were snatched away. En route back, I saw others confronted with the same embarrassment. One nation is so extremely jealous and uneasy about the other that the border is heavily policed.

"Rumors fly freely in Germany about the gigantic air and sea forces England has. In England, one newspaper reported Germany had enough poisonous gas to kill everyone living in Europe. But the people in Germany knew nothing about it. All they thought they knew was about the great guns trained constantly on Germany by other nations.

"The French fear Germany will again attempt to capture Paris. They are watching closely every maneuver their neighbors make and they flinch at the prospects of the big guns that rumor has placed on the German boundary."

Daynes complimented the Europeans, however, for their cordial treatment of Americans.

"Many times when my companion and I were tired by travel, a German peasant opened his doors to us. They would often sleep on the floor and let us have the cot in the shabby house. Lamb chops that barely found a place on their tables once a week, were served to us first. Then, if enough remained, the family members were served."

Daynes was one of approximately 1000 missionaries of the Latter Day Saints (Morman) Church. Of that number more than 355, and including 15 women, were serving in European nations.

ADULT PARTY

The Mutual adult party for the East Bay Wards will be held at Dimond on Tuesday, March 6. The San Francisco Ward amusement hall will be the setting for the affair for the West Bay Wards on the same night.

NEW STAKE OFFICERS

Sustained January 21, the new presiding officers of the Hollywood Stake are receiving congratulations from all over California. The new officers are David H. Cannon, president, and Charles H. Norberg and Wilfred G. Edling, counselors. President Cannon succeeded President LeGrand Richards, now in Florida.

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"Behold, I will send my messenger, and he will prepare the way before me; and the Lord whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple."—Mal. 3:1.

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Out of the Shadows

Vice, with its monstrous evils, thrives in darkened places. Perverted passions spur the persistent violator on to complete revolt against social, ethical, and religious relations, making reformation increasingly difficult. Every unholy act or thought is an alloy to spirt and to flesh, actually changing the body, reducing its purity, defiling it, and darkening the light that God placed there. Thus does degeneracy result from mere casual offense. If continued, will dethrone reason; destroy freedom; distort the intellect, and leave the whole being disordered. In which case, man, created gloriously and for exalted purpose, falls. He bears no iron bands, but his imprisonment is complete. On the other hand, obedience to divine law privileges one to enjoy a clear conscience and the glory of a good man's goal. Light and truth are enemies of all evil. To lose appetite's rein is to lose the fight to conquer self. Happiness is not found in such course. Peace and self-respect do not come by chance. Perpetual misbehavior removes one further and further from God, even unto the power of His arch-enemy who "doth seal you his." It is God's word. It cannot be made surer by argument. It is a law of the earth.

Through repentance God's plan provides a way of escape for the sinner, but the longer he procrastinates the day of his repentance the less is the proability that he will do so. Neglect nurtures inability. Man ought to act quickly and confidently, accounting himself as "born to be of advantage to mankind," then to govern all his conduct accordingly. But he must elect whom he will serve. If prudent he will array his forces. In it there is no folly; no frenzy; no alibi; no lust; no sorrow; no regrets. If that is his course then his light is Jesus Christ, who lifts men out of darkness; out of false doctrines, and through whom repentance and abundant pardon comes. Through repentance the Gentile becomes a covenant son. In no other way can the favor of the Holy One of Israel be had. It is the only road away from darkness and despair.

This is a probationary state to prepare to meet God, but not presumptuously. Win his favor, for he whom the Lord loves is exceedingly rich. Dependence on God and faithfulness to him bring light resplendent; cause his mysteries to be made apparent; redeem men from sin.

All mankind "must repent, believe, worship God, and endure, or they cannot be saved." Through faith and obedience, humility manifests itself, and the sinner confesses; forgives others, and without reservation accepts Christ, and his atoning sacrifice. His conviction of guilt prompts him to forsake all sin, and to obey all law.

From the pen of Orson Pratt I quote: "It would be of no use for a sinner to confess his sins to God unless he were determined to forsake them; it would be of no benefit to him to feel sorry that he had done wrong unless he intended to do wrong no more; it would be folly for him to confess before God that he had injured his fellow man unless he were determined to do all in his power to make restitution. Repentance, then, is not only a confession of sins, with a sorrowful, contrite heart, but a fixed, settled purpose to refrain from every evil way." —OSCAR W. McCONKIE, "The Era."

(Ward Teachers' Message for March)

MRS. DALTON VISITOR

If your physician is Dr. Mark Ardeth Dalton and he pokes at sore places, as all doctors do—or if he says, "Now this won't taste at all bad," and smiles genially at a combination of old shoes and burnt rubber—if he does that, just call his home, ask for Mrs. Hannah Daphne Dalton, and report him. She will get your revenge, for she knows all about the doctor. She is his mother, visiting him from Salt Lake City at his Dimond ward home.

ELDERS TO DANCE

The Second Quorum of Elders, West Bay membership, are setting the pace for the Priesthood quorums. Recently they banquetted more than 200 in the Mission ward hall, with a splendid program of entertainers. Announcements are out now for a grand St. Patrick's Day ball in California Hall, San Francisco, March 17. A notable orchestra has been engaged, and these alert elders are claiming it will be the "grand event of the season."

WEDDING BELLS

John H. Hilton, father of President Eugene Hilton, and Mrs. Caroline A. Blair were married March 2 at the Arizona Temple. The bride, a widow from Prima, Arizona, has been a Temple worker for several years. Brother Hilton, formerly of Hinckley, Utah, has divided his time between Oakland and the Mesa Temple for the past two years. The couple will make their home in Mesa, and will continue their Temple work.

A POEM

SINCERE DESIRE

That I might kneel in humble grace
And lift to God an honest face;
Nor pause from service God appoints
—'Till I depart.

That I might fill each golden hour
With all that's good within my power;
That I might stand on Judgment Day
And hear my Lord, my Sovior say
—Thy work well done.

By Carlos L. Dodge,
S. F. Ward.

AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES

RELIEF SOCIETY

Preparation. Real growth comes by individual effort, hence from now until the close of this working season each class leader will check the number of members who have read the current lesson. This check, we believe, will be just the stimulus needed to help all of us to keep in touch with the material used in our organization.

Exhibit. The great Relief Society day is now less than two months away, and is being anticipated by all Relief Society workers in the stake with the usual enthusiasm.

Date. April 21, the Saturday before Quarterly Conference, we will enjoy ourselves and entertain the public with an exhibit of our work — flowers — an afternoon assembly — and the final touch of the day will be a concert by our Stake Choral.

CALENDAR FOR FUTURE M. I. A. ACTIVITIES

March 6—Stake Adult and Senior party: East Bay at Dimond Ward; West Bay at San Francisco Ward.

March 23 — Gold and Green Ball, Oakland Women's City Club.

April 5—Stake Honor Day, West Bay semi-final contests.

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April 12—Stake contest finals, Oakland Stake Chapel.

April 17 and 18—Division contest finals, Oakland Stake Chapel.

April 23—Music festival.

May 4—Beehive Swarm Day.

May 4—Gleaner and M. Men dinner dance.

May 13—Display of junior books at Berkeley Ward.

The Stake M. I. A. board is holding some special training classes in dance and drama with a well trained CWA teacher, Miss Husted, in charge. It is held alternately on either side of the bay on Monday nights at 7:45 o'clock. With this training available every ward can develop leaders to direct their activities in these groups.

On Monday night, Feb. 19, a class in plays and games and community recreation was started to be held for twelve consecutive Mondays at 7:30 p. m. at the Franklin School, 1527 Ninth Avenue, Oakland. This class is directed through the Oakland Board of Education and is open to the public free. Every ward should send a member of their recreation activity group to get some of the work. Even some of those who are already specially trained in recreation are attending this course because they get new ideas and games. And if the ward has to send a different member of their recreation committee each time they will profit by the one night training. We feel sure it will be time well spent both for the individual and for the ward. What a success it makes our ward recreation if we have leaders who are constantly on their toes and get new ideas continually.

The Y. M. M. I. A. Stake Board is sorry to have to release Brother Manton Moody, activity counselor to Brother Harmon. Being out of town so much has forced him to drop his activity on the board. Brother Willard Clarke is also released from his work with the M. Men, having left for the Midwest last month.

By juggling a little, however, and a few additions the young men's board is almost intact again. Brother Ellsworth, formerly in charge of the adult group, is to be the second counselor in charge of discussion work. Brother Stirrat, the first counselor, will change his department and take over the activity work. Brother Walter Hall has been given new duties, taking charge of the M. Men department. And Brother Irving "Ling" Beeseley, the scout leader for the whole of Alameda County, is to help with the scout work in East Bay.

STAKE MISSIONARY IN CONFERENCE

An exceptionally interesting conference of the missionaries of the San Francisco Stake mission was held in the Oakland Chapel Saturday, Feb. 17, 1934.

The services were devoted to the missionaries and those who have been converted to the Church as a result of their activities. Forty-seven missionaries and five converts spoke during these services. The spirit of the Lord was present in rich abundance, and in spite of the fact that the meeting lasted for an unbroken period of five hours, all of those attending felt that the conference closed too soon. There were one hundred twenty-five in attendance.

Four children of Sister Zimmerman of Elmhurst furnished, unaccompanied, several vocal selections of Church hymns in a most excellent manner. Miss Marie Thomas, soprano of the Oakland Ward choir, accompanied by Mabel Bowerbank, rendered two beautiful vocal selections. Another special musical number of interest was group singing by the missionaries, called from the congregation without previous warning or practice together, "What Was Witnessed in the Heavens."

After the close of the conference refreshments were served in the amusement hall and the remainder of the evening spent in amusements. The missionaries are already demanding a repetition of the conference.

REPUBLICAN BABY

Democrats Mr. and Mrs. W. Glenn Harmon welcomed a new son, as recorded in last month's Messenger. However, the Stork is no New Dealer. The old bird has now impartially presented a fine son to Republicans Mr. and Mrs. Len George; an 8-pound baby two ounces more than young Harmon. Mrs. George and the Stork met at her mother's home in Salt Lake. Both will return to San Francisco about the middle of March. Mr. George is Stake secretary of the Y. M. M. I. A.

News from Wards

BERKELEY

A well arranged and splendidly attended Ward conference was held in the Berkeley Ward on February 18. Two sessions were held—one at 11 a. m. and one at 7:30 p. m.—under the direction of the Stake Presidency and conducted by Bishop Phares W. Dunyan. At the morning session short talks were given by Mrs. Fannie Moody, Mrs. Clara Acomb, John Leo Roberts, Archie G. Hill, and President Eugene Hilton. Several splendid musical numbers were presented. Bishop Dunyan gave a report of the ward. There was a large attendance.

At the evening session the Berkeley Ward Bishopric was reorganized under the direction of the Stake Presidency. Archie G. Hill and Dr. Raymond L. Knight were released as first and second counselors to Bishop Dunyan. This was necessitated by the fact that Brother Hill has removed from the ward and Dr. Knight has been appointed to take full charge of the Boy Scout work in the ward. Bishop Dunyan was sustained with Reed S. Gardner as first counselor and Francis R. Wilcox as second counselor. A hearty vote of thanks was given to Brothers Hill and Knight for their faithful and efficient labors in the Bishopric during the past five years. Short talks were given by both outgoing and incoming officers. President Macdonald and President Johnson spoke briefly.

Musical numbers were given by the M. I. A. girls chorus, Boy Scout troop, and a trio consisting of Carrie Moses, Jessie Lund, and Jess Farr. Ward Clerk Theodore G. Ruegg presented general, Stake and ward authorities for the sustaining vote of those in attendance.

On March 16 the Mutual Improvement Associations and the Relief Society will entertain members of the ward and their friends at a program and dancing party to be held at Vasa Hall on Addison and Grove. Officers of the organization are making the arrangements.

Members of the ward were entertained at a most delightful party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Denzel C. Allen on February 17. The party was arranged as a county fair — games, fortune telling, dancing, program and refreshments were enjoyed. The committee in charge included: Mr. and Mrs. Allen, Mrs. Louise Knight, Mrs. Carrie Moses, Mr. and Mrs. John Rossou, Dr. Raymond L. Knight and Jessie Lund.

Fi-Wo-Ca Literary Group met at the home of Mrs. Phoebe McLaughlin. Mrs. Sue Parsons reviewed the book "Epic America," by James T. Adams. Sixteen guests were present.

On March 7 the members of the Relief Society will entertain at a program and dinner at the Mary Dowd Reardon Studio on Telegraph Avenue. Mrs. Fannie Moody heads the committee planning the affair.

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On March 9 the mothers of the Boy Scouts of Troop 8 will entertain the troop and their scoutmaster, Dr. Raymond L. Knight, at a dinner party. Fathers of the boys will also be guests. A delightful program is being arranged and all Scouts and their parents are cordially invited to attend.

DIMOND

On Sunday, Feb. 4, a special service was held at the historic Eagle's Nest of the Dimond Canyon Boy Scout camp. Thomas Booth, scoutmaster of Troop 88, was the speaker of the day and delivered an interesting address to over one hundred boys and young men. Brother Booth has the distinction of being an Eagle Scout himself and the father of two sons who hold the same rank. On January 21 Clarence Booth and Joe Roy Hilton received their Eagle Scout badges, making 5 Eagles now in Dimond Ward.

Sunday evening, Feb. 11, Ward Conference was held. Bishop Lauper gave a very fine report of the activities of all organizations and expressed the satisfaction of the Bishopric that such an excellent spirit prevailed. The visiting Stake presidency, President Macdonald and President Hilton, gave inspiring addresses and an unusually good musical program was given. As a special feature, it being Boy Scout Sunday, a group of Scouts presented colors and led the congregation in the pledge of allegiance followed by the Boy Scout Oath.

Friday evening, Feb. 9, Misses June and Ruth Weindorf entertained at a dinner party and shower in honor of Miss Ida Dunford and her fiance, Don O'Brien. Fourteen young people were guests.

Tuesday, Feb. 13, Miss Ida Dunford and Don O'Brien were united in marriage by President Macdonald. O. C. Dunford, who is superintendent of Sunday Schools in Bear Lake Stake, and Mrs. Dunford were present at the wedding of their daughter. Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. O'Brien left for Rich, Plumas County, Calif., to make their home for the summer.

Donald Matheson, who recently sustained a painful burn on his hand and arm, is recovering nicely.

The annual founders day party of the Relief Society will take place in the amusement hall Thursday, March 15, at 1:30 o'clock. Saint Patrick ideas will be carried out in games and decorations and a very good time is promised all those who attend. Every woman of the ward, whether a member or not, is urged to be there.

Tuesday evening, March 6, all of the adult groups of the Stake are invited to attend the open house given at the Dimond Ward, at which the adult department of the Stake board and the Dimond ward groups are hosts. An interesting evening has been arranged.

Mrs. Clyde F. Curtis was guest of honor at a "Stork Shower" given Feb. 21 at the home of Mrs. S. J. Lauper.

Mrs. Clyde Summerhays and daughter Sarah returned February 24 from a two months visit in Provo, Utah.

Mrs. John Soelberg has gone to Ogden, Utah, to be with her mother during a major operation.

Sunday evening programs for the current month are as follows:

March 4—Under direction of M. I. A.

March 11—E. W. Bosgieter and Marshall Stoddard, speakers; reading, Sarah Summerhays; music, Paul Jenkel.

March 18—High Council representatives speakers. Special music.

March 25—Horace Cherrington and LaVaughn Lamoreaux, speakers.

Friday evening, March 2, a rally and party were held in honor of the basketball team who returned during the week from taking part in the interstake basketball tournament at Los Angeles. Dimond is very proud of its fine team, and that they are the first group from San Francisco Stake to take part in such an event. Manager Sam W. Scott, Mrs. Scott, and F. P. Weindorf accompanied the squad south.

Saturday evening, Feb. 24, the Bee Hive Girls, under the direction of their leader, Mrs. Ora Thatcher, entertained their mothers at a clever and original party. Features of the evening were a fine program given entirely by the girls, a treasure hunt, interesting games and delicious refreshments.

Mrs. T. Rex McKean is convalescing after an appendicitis operation on Feb. 22.

C. Cherrington left last week for a business trip of six weeks in the East.

The many friends of Bishop Robinson's family will regret to learn that Virginia Robinson was severely injured in an automobile accident recently. She is slowly convalescing.

Among newcomers to the ward are Adelbert L. Clawson and his three daughters, Evelyn, Juliet and Barbara Clawson. They come to us from Emigration Ward in Salt Lake City.

VALLEJO

The Vallejo members are rejoicing with Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Hill on the arrival of an 8-pound baby girl, born Feb. 19. Mr. Hill is superintendent of the Sunday School.

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. Cheshire, who is in Utah because of the death of her mother. She also will see her daughter, attending a business college in Utah.

President Elmo Carr and family have moved to Oakland for business reasons, but President Carr promises to be back often with interesting programs.

The Oakland Missionary class furnished the program Feb. 11, twelve missionaries making the trip.

SUNSET

The Elders Group of the Sunset Ward will give a social on March 29 in the Ninth Avenue Hall. All Elders and their wives and partners are requested to be there.

The Mutual Improvement Association promises us an excellent program for the conjoint meeting on the evening of March 4th.

The officers and teachers of the Relief Society were the guests of Mrs. Chas. W. White at a delightful luncheon party at her home.

On March 16 in commemoration of the founding of the Relief Society, a party will be given by that organization for members and their husbands in the social hall on Ninth Avenue at 7:30 p. m.

The Relief Society will conduct the Sacrament meeting at 7:30 p. m. March 18. The speakers will be High Councilmen Hicken and Erickson. Music will be by the Relief Society chorus and Miss Flora Shennan as guest soloist.

We welcome Mr. and Mrs. W. A. (Art) Lohan, their daughters Isobelle Marie and Bonnie and young son Roy to the ward. They reside at No. 2 Marne Avenue.

The young people's group of the ward are planning some live social activities that we are not at liberty to divulge at this time.

Sunday School attendance has shown a marked increase and the superintendency is anxious that this increase be made permanent. A warm welcome awaits everyone in the ward and this goes for your friends and relatives who are non-members.

Notice! The Primary Association is now meeting on Thursday each week at 3:30 p. m. in the Ninth Avenue hall.

We are glad to welcome Geo. W. Willis into the ward as a full-fledged member after his faithful attendance of the past several years. He is chairman of the Ward Geneological Society.

ALAMEDA

The Alameda Geneological Society was organized on Sunday, February 18, with the following committeemen: Amos Robinson, chairman; James H. Crockwell, Johanna Herrman, Laura Watkins and Wesley W. Hunt. The first meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Laura Watkins at 1622 Morton Street, on Monday, the 19th, and at the home of Mrs. Katie Hunt, 432 Santa Clara Avenue, on the 26th. Regular meetings will be held each Monday evening. Locations will be announced each week. A great deal of interest in this work has been manifested at these two meetings and at the fine attendance at Union meeting.

Robert Richadson, son of J. Z. Richardson, met with a serious accident on Febuary 1. He was coming across San Jose Avenue after going on an errand for his mother, when he stepped in the path of an approaching car. He was knocked unconscious and suffered a fractured skull.

The Sunday School, M. I. A. and Branch Presidency gave a party at the Meuter home in honor of James Sharp, expressing their appreciation for his help in music.

The Beehive girls had a Valentine party at Lucile Crandall's home.

Best wishes to Lorraine Anderson on her marriage to George W. Donald.

Mrs. Ella Crandall and two children from Ogden were visitors at the home of President Leo H. Crandall during the month.

The second annual reunion will be held on March 7. Dinner will be served at the banquet hall of the Odd Fellows Building, after which dancing and games will be enjoyed at the garden hall. The Branch conference will be held on the evening of March 18. The Stake Presidency will be in attendance.

Marriages

ARNOLD-CARLSON — Harold L. Arnold and Sally Carlson, by Bishop C. W. Nalder, Feb. 5.

GARDNER-WILSON—Benjamin H. Gardner and Crystal M. Wilson, by Bishop Nalder, Feb. 7.

SCHILDER-DAVIS — Arthur J. Schilder and Dorothy M. Davis, by Bishop Nalder, Feb. 18.

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NEWS FROM THE WARDS

HAYWARD

The infant daughter of Floyd and Eva Loomis was blessed on Feb. 4 by President C. E. Johnston, and given the name of Yvonne.

Recently ordained to be deacons in the Aaronic Priesthood are Wayne Bailey and William B. Millet, William being ordained on his twelfth birthday, Jan. 28. Our branch has a fine little group of very active deacons, also quite a number of boys under twelve who are anticipating the time when they may be deacons.

Ada Rounds was married to Roy Burns at Reno, Nevada, on June 2.

A very pleasant time was enjoyed at a Valentine party and shower given in honor of Mrs. Armond Wells at the home of her niece, Mabel Lewis, on the evening of Feb. 14. Seventeen ladies attended. A large Valentine Box filled with gifts wrapped as Valentines were presented to Mrs. Wells at the close of the evening's games and refreshments.

President W. B. Millet enjoyed a trip to Gridley with his sister, Mrs. Wm. La Come of Centerville, Feb. 11. He visited at the Gridley Sunday School on Sunday morning and reported that they have a very fine Sunday School there.

All who attended our branch conference held Feb. 18 greatly enjoyed the spirit manifested, and the talks given by the Stake authorities present. The Stake Presidency are not able to visit Hayward very often, but we surely do appreciate their presence and counsel.

Mrs. Gladys Cox who has been removed to the hospital, was visited by President C. E. Johnston and President L. J. Phister last Sunday afternoon, and they report she is improving. We hope she will soon be able to be back with her family again; also Mrs. Joy Phister is better and able to attend Sunday School again.

Hayward was entertained by songs rendered by the Zimmerman children at Sunday School Feb. 28. Stake Missionary Movel Day was also present, and made a few remarks which were very appropriate.

An anniversary party and dance will be given at the usual meeting place March 2 at 8 p. m.

Gracie Reinking, who has been ill, is able to be out again.

Mr. and Mrs. George Olis have gone to Utah, there to visit with relatives and to go through the Temple.

Elaine Bailey is ill with the measles.

Officers and teachers of the Sunday School met at the home of W. B. Millet on Feb. 22 for their monthly council meeting.

SAN FRANCISCO

The Gleanor Girls of the M. I. A. entertained at a Valentine dancing party February 9. The recreational hall was elaborately decorated with Valentine motifs.

Emerson Ray, formerly of Glendale, who has been here taking instructions in cooking and mess sergeant duties, passed his tests with the highest marks in the class. About 30 took the course. He is with the 11th Cavalry stationed at Monterey, and while here was a regular attendant at all services.

With Miss Elynor Hahl as hostess, the Sunday School officers and teachers entertained at a surprise stork shower on Mrs. Kenneth M. Glew, former Sunday School secretary, at the garden room of the residence house of the Y. W. C. A.

A singular honor was accorded Golden K. Driggs, member of the Bishopric of the ward. Through a friend who had heard his talks over the radio, he was invited to be the guest speaker at the First Christian Church in Oakland. He selected as his theme "Why Mormonism." A large congregation listened attentively and at the close of the meeting asked many questions. Many had been listeners to the programs on the radio.

Anyone knowing the address of any of the following people, please call Bishop C. W. Nalder at WAlnut 2570:

Francis J. James, Hyrum 3rd Ward, Hyrum Stake.

Bernice McNeil Sur and Francis J. Sur, from Vernal 2nd Ward, Uninta Stake.

Arthur M. and Mildred Jensen, 2nd Ward, Liberty Stake.

Ellis L. Banford, Oakland Ward, S. F. Stake.

Porter T. Jones, Liberty Ward, Liberty Stake.

Leroy E., Mary Ellis P. and Barbara A. Miller, from Mission Ward, S. F. Stake.

Wm. G., Wilma Marsh Turner, Evanston Ward, Woodruff Stake.

Howard W. Johnson, University Branch, Northern States Mission.

Walter E. and Mary Dodge, Ninth Ward, Liberty Stake.

Maurice E. W. Howard, 10th Ward, Liberty Stake.

Grant G. Bybee, Uintah Ward, Mount Ogden Stake.

Robert Newell Smith, Logan 10th Ward, Cache Stake.

Ross H. Dix.

OAKLAND

Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Carr have returned from Vallejo to Oakland to live. Mr. Carr was transferred by the Government from Mare Island to San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Hicklenlooper of Blackfoot, Idaho, are visiting Oakland.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nelson entertained at dinner for Stanley Carr and Fern Bagley.

A birthday party was given by Mrs. George D. Bennett for her daughter, Aura Kirk.

H. J. Brown is coming back to the Oakland Ward.

The choir gave a farewell party for Mrs. Kirk, with James Gain in charge of arrangements.

The M. Men and Gleanor Girls of the ward M. I. A. surprised Iola Heiselt on her birthday, February 13. Arrangements were in charge of Mrs. Mary S. Jordan, Donna Bagley and Charles Brown.

Elwin Bagley has been selected as second counselor to Dr. G. Gibbs Smith, Y. M. M. I. A. president, upon the resignation of Glenn Gee because of illness in his family.

Tuesday, March 6, senior and adult classes of the Mutual will participate in the Stake party at Dimond Ward. Evellyn Sims, Mrs. Charles C. Carr and Gordon Wilkins are in charge of stunts. Edna Darton is planning the refreshments and John Larson and Elmo Carr will care for transportation.

On Feb. 13, Mutual open night, President W. Aird Macdonald, Joseph T. Carruth and John Larson discussed the best month in which to be born. They now give advice on this moot subject.

President and Mrs. Macdonald gave a breakfast for a few close friends, serving the delightful innovation of waffles covered with a thin layer of whipped cream and strawberry jam. Try that on your palate some time; you'll like it. Guests of honor were Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Stone. Mr. Stone is now on an extended trip to the Northwest.

BURLINGAME

Our Sacrament meetings during March convening at 11:15 a. m.

March 11—Lorain McCabe, "History and Translations of Our Bible."

March 18—Branch conference, Stake presidency will be in attendance.

March 25—Open.

Guy L. Roberts met with a severe accident during the past month, which nearly cost him his life. Contacting live wires at his place of employment he was so badly burned at various parts of his body that amputation of part of one hand and one finger on the other hand were necessary. We are happy to be able to report he is recovering nicely.

The M. I. A. gave a very successful dancing party on the 17th.

We welcome the McPharlands from Los Angeles and congratulate them on the arrival of a beautiful blue-eyed baby girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Oswyn Williams, who moved down the peninsula a few months ago to "try it out," liked it so well they have decided to stay and are moving into their own home on the 1st. Good luck.

Our Primary held its conference on the 4th. Stake visitors Hicken and Harmon as well as the branch membership appreciated the time and effort put forth by the officers and children in putting on the excellent program.

McMills and family have moved from San Bruno to San Mateo. Now that they are nearer to the church we expect to see a lot of them.

Brothers Moroni Gerber and Chas. Ohran have been called as missionaries. We wish them success.

BALBOA

Mrs. M. E. Irwin of Ogden is visiting with her son, Albert M. Irwin, and her daughter, Mrs. Lillian Irwin Stratford. Mrs. Irwin is 78 and comes here annually.

The M. I. A. monthly dancing party for February was given on Saint Valentine Day. A fine crowd of young people attended and had a good time. Watch for the next date.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Galbraith entertained a group of the ward members recently at a chili supper.

The Relief Society will present a comedy drama entitled "Saint Peter and the Relief Society" at a social evening to be given March 14 in honor of their anniversary.

The ward Missionary class furnished the program for the Sacrament service held Feb. 11.

Mrs. Dorothy McAfee has been released as leader in the Literary department of the Relief Society on account of having moved from the ward. Mrs. Vivian has been selected to succeed Mrs. McAfee.

The Relief Society again reports 100 per cent for the visiting teachers.

About 90 per cent of our Elders attended the dinner given by the 2nd Quorum of Elders recently. The Quorum is off to a good start. Keep up the good work.

The Balboa Ward Conference was held February 25 under the direction of President W. Aird Macdonald. All three members of the Stake Presidency were in attendance and spoke. Special musical numbers were given by the Ward mixed chorus with George F. Simister conducting and Mrs. Oral Stowell at the organ. President Macdonald in commenting upon the chorus and their work, characterized it as a husband and wife affair. The group is made up of the following: Mr. and Mrs. George Simister, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. White, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar T. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Neils Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. S. Vern Hobson, Mr. and Mrs. John V. Anderson, Mrs. R. Vance Pearson, Mrs. Alfred E. Uhlig and Mr. R. Galbraith.

Mrs. Lois Lindsay Helm (Mrs. Reed McLain) is the mother of a fine baby girl born Feb. 25.

Misses Helen and Alice Cummings of Oakland have been visiting with their sister, Mrs. Louis J. Cresta, of 299 South Hill Blvd.

RICHMOND

Redmen Hall was the scene of a gala affair on Feb. 13, when the Mutual gave a basket social and Valentine dance. A short program was given, followed by the judging of the baskets. This was a difficult undertaking for the judges, but after much pondering and gazing on the beautiful array, the prize was awarded Charlotte Redfield. The free door prize was won by Jessie Pearson.

Bishop and Mrs. C. M. Dewsnup recently enjoyed a visit with Mrs. Dewsnup's relatives of Sacramento.

Glen Whittington, who has been working for the past two months at Hamilton Air Field in San Rafael, spent a few days with his sister, Mrs. Alvin Hopkins, before leaving for Salt Lake.

Newcomers to our ward are Mr. and Mrs. Love of Salt Lake, and Mr. and Mrs. Greenaulch, formerly of Los Angeles. Mr. Love is a brother of Mrs. Gordon Nielson.

Mr. and Mrs. Nephi Thulin spent a day in Napa.

Our Relief Society is busy preparing an excellent program and lunch to be given March 13 in celebration of the organization of the first Relief Society.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Gray of Claremont, Minnesota, and Mr. and Mrs. Glen Gray of San Francisco were recently entertained at dinner at the Alvin Hopkins home. The former Mr. and Mrs. Gray have been friends of Mrs. Hopkins for the past twenty years.

Arthur Fawcett of Winters visited his sister, Mrs. Blanche Harmon.

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